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I.

1. WE read of a great assembly gathered from the east and the west, the north and the south. With whom will they sit down?
2. Where will they be gathered together?
3. Of what persons will this assembly be composed?
4. In what will they all agree?
5. Can you tell me the names of any who will be there?
6. Who will be there, that wore, on earth, a crown?
7. Who that while on earth was bound in chains?
8. Who that breathed his last amidst a shower of stones?
9. Who that languished in a dungeon?
10. Who that left the earth in a fiery chariot?
11. Who that chose to suffer affliction with the people of God?
12. What patient man will there find that his Redeemer liveth?
13. What thief will rejoice over his one prayer of faith?
14. Who will look back upon a whole life spent in God's service?
15. What shepherd will be there?

16. What Jewish warrior ?
17. What Roman soldier ?
18. What aged prophetess ?
19. Will this multitude be assembled for war ?
20. What warfare do Christians maintain on earth ?
21. Will there be any tears there ?
22. What will this multitude rest from ?
23. They will sit down—at what marriage-supper ?

II.

1. Elijah, by prayer, brought water from the clouds—where did Elisha get it from ?
2. Where did Moses ?
3. Where did Samson ?
4. Where did Hagar find it ?
5. To what fountain are we all invited to come ?
6. What is promised to the giver of a cup cold water ?
7. What is the smallest gift of money perhaps ever recorded ?
8. What commendation was bestowed upon the giver ?
9. Unto whom was said, " Thy money perish with thee ?"
10. Why was this said ?
11. What is more blessed than to receive ?
12. May we not all enjoy this blessedness ?
13. What may you give besides your money ?
14. What else ?
15. What else ?
16. Are you employing any of these talents in your Master's service ?
17. A man once buried his Lord's talent in the earth ; how was he punished ?
18. What was he called ?
19. How may we be exposed to a like condemnation ?

20. Can you not find some new way to be useful that you have not before tried?
21. From what four diminutive things may man learn wisdom?
22. What lessons do they teach him?
23. What may he learn from the ox and the ass?
24. What from the stork?
25. What is said of the young raven?
26. What of the death of a sparrow?

III.

1. When was the use of flesh first allowed to man?
2. What is the first account we have of meat for breakfast and supper?
3. Who spoke on Mars-Hill?
4. Unto whom did he speak?
5. His text was not written—where did he find it?
6. What great man trembled under the preaching of the gospel?
7. Did he receive it in his heart?
8. For what was he waiting?
9. Did that season ever arrive?
10. From what fact may we infer that it did not?
11. What other ruler was almost persuaded to be a Christian?
12. Will it profit any to be almost, if they are not altogether, Christians?
13. What must we do in order to enter in the strait gate?
14. What will many seek to do?
15. There was a king who feared a prophet because he was a holy man, and did many things, and heard him gladly. Did all this avail him aught?
16. How did he treat this prophet?
17. What was his own end?

18. What is said of the triumphing of the wicked?
19. What of the lamp of the wicked?
20. Is the good man's light put out when he dies?
21. What is said of the arms of the wicked?
22. What of the desire of the wick?
23. What of the dwelling place of the wicked?
24. What of the way of the wicked?
25. What of the sacrifice of the wicked?

IV.

1. Children are very fond of hearing wonderful stories. In what book will you find the most wonderful things told?
2. Many stories we hear and read are not true—how is it with those we find in this book?
3. It tells you of something very wonderful made of dust—what was it?
4. What beautiful object was made of a bone?
5. The walls of a city fell at the blast of rams' horns—what city was this?
6. It tells us of a man giving orders to the sun and moon—what man was this?
7. Where was he?
8. Were his orders obeyed?
9. It tell us of a little shepherd-boy slaying a strong giant—what boy was this?
10. It tells us of a weapon that slew a thousand men—in whose hands was this?
11. A rock struck by a man's rod poured forth streams of water. Who was this man?
12. Why did this water gush forth?
13. Why was he wrong in striking the rock?
14. What ought he to have done?
15. A man was taken away from the earth in a chariot of fire, drawn by horses of fire. Who was thus honored?

16. Many people walked through the sea, while the waters were piled up on either side of them. Who were they?
17. Many thousand people made a plentiful meal on five loaves and two small fishes. How were these enough for so many?

V.

1. A man lived forty days without eating or drinking anything. Who was this?
2. God, in an audible voice, made known his will to a little child. Who was this favored child?
3. What words of the Lord Jesus illustrate this?
4. Fire from heaven fell, and consumed company after company of soldiers. Why did this punishment come upon them?
5. Bread, daily bread, came down from heaven, and nourished a multitude of people. Who were they?
6. Iron floated on water. At whose command?
7. A whale swallowed a man, and after three days cast him forth on dry land. Why was this?
8. Birds of prey supplied a man with his daily food. Who was thus ministered to?
9. Bitter waters were made sweet by the branch of a tree. What waters were these?
10. An unpalatable brackish fountain was made pleasant and healthful by salt. Where was this?
11. Prison doors opened of themselves, and chained prisoners were set free. What prisoners were these?
12. A barrel of meal remained undiminished, though it supplied the wants of a family. What family?

13. A scarlet cord saved a household from death. Whose household?
14. A man's hand, belonging to no visible form, wrote words of doom upon a wall. What gay feast was thus interrupted?
15. A man remained all night unharmed in a den of hungry lions. Who was he?
16. Why was he cast into the den?
17. How was he preserved?

VI.

1. When was flesh rained from heaven?
2. A rod was changed into a serpent, and the serpent changed into a rod. When was this done?
3. A boy sent with some bread and parched corn to his brothers, was the means of deciding a battle in favor of his country. How was this?
4. Some young men walked in the midst of a fire without having even their clothes singed. Who were they?
5. Why were they cast into a furnace?
6. Who walked with them there?
7. What punishment awaited their enemies?
8. Deep darkness overspread a land for three days, but in some dwelling there was light. Where was this?
9. A multitude of people were guided through a trackless desert by a cloudy and fiery pillar. Who were thus guided?
10. Water was changed into wine. Where was this done?
11. Water was turned into blood. Why was this done?
12. A poisoned dish was changed to healthful food. How was this done?

13. A bush was burning, but not consumed. Who beheld this?
14. A rod broken off the tree budded, blossomed, and bore fruit. Whose rod was this?
15. For some months all the human race were floating on the water. When was this?
16. A brute beast once spoke, What words did it utter?
17. A woman was changed into a pillar of salt. Who tells us to remember her?
18. Two cities were destroyed by fire from heaven. How might these cities have been preserved?

VII.

1. What was the first sacrifice offered on Mount Moriah?
2. By whom was it offered?
3. What did it shadow forth?
4. What wonderful visit was made in the plains of Mamre?
5. Did you ever hear of five thousand people having one soul?
6. How could this be?
7. Who said, "I have esteemed the words of Thy mouth more than my necessary food?"
8. Who said, "Thy words were found, and I did eat them?"
9. Unto what food did David compare God's word?
10. What did our Saviour say man lived by?
11. Unto whom did the Lord Jesus relate the parable of the good Samaritan?
12. Why was he refused entrance into a Samaritan village?
13. How was the union of the tribes of Israel promoted by their annual feasts?

14. How were the deaf remembered in the Jewish law?
15. How were the blind?
16. What young man deceived his blind father?
17. Did any sorrows come upon him in consequence of this?
18. Who calls the grave "the house appointed for all living?"
19. Why were the Jews told not to reap their fields fully?
20. What Moabitish maiden profited by this command?
21. Who called an altar Jehovah-Nissi, and what is the meaning of this name?

VIII.

1. Can you tell me the meaning of the word Bethlehem?
2. Whose burial made Bethlehem a remembered spot?
3. What marriage was afterward celebrated there?
4. What shepherd boy watched his flocks upon its rocky height?
5. Who drew water from the well of Bethlehem?
6. What chorus was sung there?
7. For what is it memorable?
8. Who were murdered there?
9. Who said, "Let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off?"
10. Unto whom was it said?
11. Why?
12. What admonition does this verse give to the young disciple?
13. Where is the people from whom Christ should spring first designated?
14. To whom was the tribe made known?

15. When was the family of which he was to be born designated?
16. Who prophesies the manner of his birth?
17. Who the place?
18. Who the time?
19. When was the question asked, "Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?"
20. Who was the oldest man that ever lived?
21. Who next to him lived longest on the earth?

IX.

1. Why were the first-born among the Israelites to belong unto the Lord?
2. Whom did the Lord take for his service instead of the first-born?
3. How many did they number of this tribe?
4. How many more of the first-born?
5. How were these redeemed?
6. Which was the largest tribe when they were numbered in the desert?
7. What especial honor belonged to this tribe?
8. What was the position of this tribe in their encampment in the desert?
9. Who was their captain?
10. In what connection do we find his name in the New Testament?
11. On what day did he make his offering at the dedication of the tabernacle?
12. What was the offering?
13. Which of the tribes marched first in their journeyings through the desert?
14. The Israelites were encamped in four divisions, with the tabernacle in the centre. What three tribes were on the east?
15. Which three were on the south?
16. Which three on the west?

17. Which three on the north?
18. How were the tribes distinguished?
19. It is supposed that the camp of the Israelites occupied a surface of twelve square miles.
Who were encamped nearest the tabernacle?
20. What family had the charge of the tabernacle?
21. What family were chosen to transport the sanctuary and the holy furniture?
22. What was the duty of the Merarites?
23. During what period of life was this service required of them?
24. Who encamped nearest the tabernacle on the east side?
25. What prohibition was given about approaching the tabernacle?
26. Into what three divisions may this army be divided, corresponding to the three parts of the tabernacle?

X.

1. In what parables does Christ liken the word of God to seed?
2. In what parable does he inculcate the duty of forgiveness?
3. How did he show the folly and danger of cherishing unforgiving feelings?
4. What do unforgiving people ask of God in the Lord's prayer?
5. Did the Lord Jesus ever pay tribute money?
6. Whence did he obtain it?
7. For whom did he pay beside himself?
8. How did he foretell the death of this disciple?
9. Who offered the apostles money?
10. For what purpose?
11. How was he rebuked?

12. What invitation is given to him that hath no money?
13. What sorcerer opposed the progress of the gospel?
14. How was he punished?
15. On what three occasions did an audible voice speak from heaven unto Christ?
16. What words were uttered?
17. Who said, "Lord, save me?"
18. On what occasion?
19. What did Christ say of Abel?
20. When did the devils obey his voice?
21. When did covetous and ungodly men obey him?
22. When will all in the graves hear his voice?
23. When did the wind and the sea obey Christ?
24. When did a tree obey him?
25. When did the grave give up its dead at his command?

XI.

1. Who was the seventh from Adam?
2. What prophecy did he utter?
3. Who was the eighth person?
4. What high vocation did he fill?
5. During what period?
6. Who was forbidden to mourn for the death of his wife?
7. Why was this?
8. What king and what prophet said unto God, "I am a child?"
9. Upon what occasions?
10. What were the disciples of Christ required to do at the Saviour's call?
11. Can you tell me of any who left their means?
12. Can you tell me of any who left their means of livelihood?

13. What from that time was their occupation ?
14. What did St. Paul say he was determined to know ?
15. Who of those who conversed with Christ went away sorrowful ?
16. Why ?
17. Unto what woman did he expose the history of her past life ?
18. What did this knowledge lead her to do ?
19. How did she preach the gospel ?
20. What should the knowledge of Christ lead us to do ?
21. What did Andrew do as soon as he found Christ ?
22. What did Philip ?
23. What is said in the Revelation of St. John about him that heareth ?
24. Have you heard ?
25. What is then your duty ?

XII.

1. A king removed his mother from being queen, because she set up an idol in a grove. Who was he ?
2. Unto whose wise counsel had he listened ?
3. What joyful reformation took place amongst his people ?
4. With whom did this king afterwards ally himself ?
5. By whom was he reproved ?
6. Did he receive these counsels as he had those of the former prophet ?
7. How did he treat the prophet who rebuke him ?
8. What trouble came upon him ?
Did he find relief ?

10. Whom had he sought in former years?
11. Were his desires then gratified?
12. What account is given of his burial?
13. Who succeeded him on the throne?
14. What was the character of his successor?
15. Why did not the surrounding nations make war against him?
16. What presents did they bring him?
17. When a man's ways please the Lord, what influence will be exerted over his enemies?
18. What king was killed by his own son?
19. When did two sticks miraculously unite and become one?
20. What was typified by this?

XIII.

1. Unto what healing waters did people resort in Jerusalem?
2. Were all who came healed?
3. Why not?
4. How did the fountain differ from that opened in Judah for sin and uncleanness?
5. Are all invited to the fountain opened in Judah?
6. May all be cleansed?
7. Is there any other way to be healed?
8. Have you been there?
9. Is it safe and wise for you to stay away?
10. What pool near Jerusalem was once used as an instrument of healing?
11. On what occasion was the Jordan used to restore health?
12. Was there any miraculous power in the water?
13. What river do the Hindoos worship?
14. What power do they ascribe to its water?
15. What question did a Syrian general ask about the rivers of Damascus?

16. What man, bound in chains, addressed a multitude from the stairs of a castle?
17. Why was he there?
18. What was the first miracle performed by the Lord Jesus?
19. What was the last?
20. By what feast did the Jews celebrate the coming in of the new year?
21. Were bells used in the ancient Jewish worship?
22. Why were they used?

XIV.

1. What is the first recorded account of female government?
2. Can you prove that the faith of the early Christians made them happy?
3. What were the causes of their joy?
4. Is there any reason why this joy should not be ours?
5. What does the Psalmist say of the joy of the Lord?
6. By the electric telegraph a response may be obtained in a minute from a person thousands of miles distant. Does the Bible tell us of petitions answered before they are asked?
7. Repeat the passage.
8. What messenger in answer to prayer equaled the speed of the electric telegraph?
9. With what far off land may we hold as direct a communication as if there were telegraphic wires connecting it with our own dwellings?
10. How often should we avail ourselves of this privilege?
11. Was there a city called Adam?

12. Who called an altar Jehovah-Shalom, and why?
13. To what country did Solomon send for gold?
14. What other king also sent there?
15. What is more precious than gold?
16. Why?
17. Is this treasure within the reach of all?
18. How do men labor to obtain gold?
19. How then should we seek for that which is of infinite value?

XV.

1. Unto what idol did the Canaanites offer their children in sacrifice?
2. Did the Jews follow this corrupt example?
3. Was this especially forbidden them?
4. Where was this sacrifice offered?
5. What name was given to the place in consequence?
6. What king put an end to this wicked custom?
7. What king afterwards re-established it?
8. Unto what idol did he offer incense?
9. How was he punished for this great wickedness?
10. What great trial took place between a prophet of God and a number of false prophets?
11. What was the result?
12. What became of the false prophets?
13. How many were slain for worshipping the golden calf?
14. How many for idolatry at Baal-peor?
15. What prophet was the great antagonist of idolatry?
16. What wise man fell into idolatry in his old age?
17. How often had God appeared to him in his youth?

18. What permission did God then give him ?
19. What did he ask ?
20. What did God give him ?
21. May we not consider this gracious permission extended to us ?
22. What should we ask ?
23. How should we ask ?
24. Is not God ready to give more than we desire or deserve ?

XVI.

The German watchmen have a very pretty song, a verse of which they sing at every hour of the night, as that hour reminds them of some Scriptural truth or fact. The first lines are :—

“Hark, ye neighbors, and hear me tell.

One now strikes from the belfry bell.”

By the different hours you may thus be reminded of Scriptural incidents :—

1. Of what way of access to God might *one* remind you ?
2. What *one* event will happen to us all ?
3. Of what choice would *two* remind you ?
4. Of what covenants ?
5. Of what incident in Peter's life would *three* remind you ?
6. Of what in the life of Jonah ?
7. Of what meeting on the plain of Tabor ?
8. Of what visit to one of the patriarchs ?
9. Of what exploit of three mighty men ?
10. Of what fiery trial ?
11. Of what house of entertainment near Rome ?
12. Of what period in the early history of Moses ?
13. Of what incident in the life of Daniel ?
14. Of what vision beheld by one of the apostles ?

15. Of what choice offered to David?
16. Of what walk of Isaiah?
17. Of what vision of Daniel would *four* remind you?
18. Of what vision of Ezekiel?
19. Of what lepers?

XVII.

1. Of what battle fought by Joshua would *five* remind you?
2. Of what sufferings of St. Paul?
3. What miracle would it recall?
4. With what stripling's victory might this number be associated?
5. Of what cities in the Holy Land does *six* remind you?
6. Of what young king who was hidden six years?
7. Of the fall of what city would *seven* remind you?
8. Of the daughters of what priest?
9. Of what Churches?
10. Of what candlestick?
11. Of what miracle wrought by Peter would *eight* remind you?
12. Of what persons saved from destruction?
13. What king of Israel began to reign at eight years old?
14. Of what solemn event would *nine* remind you?
15. Of the vision of what Roman officer?
16. Of what journey would *ten* remind you?
17. Of what miracle of our Lord?
18. Of what parable?
19. How would it remind you of the Mosaic law?
20. How of the support of the temple service?
21. Of what vision of one of the patriarchs would *eleven* remind you?

22. Of what in the parable of the householder and the vineyard?
23. Of what in the life of Jesus would *twelve* remind you?
24. Of whose sons would it remind you?
25. Of what precious stones?
26. Of what baskets?
27. Of what glorious company?

XVIII.

1. What king set up a carved image in the temple of the Lord?
2. What did he build in the courts of the Lord's house?
3. How was he punished for his idolatry?
4. In his affliction what did he do?
5. How did the Lord show his abundant compassions?
6. How was the sincerity of his repentance proved?
7. What did his son do with the idols which were cast down, but not burned and destroyed?
8. What law required that they should be burned?
9. To what sin did the Israelites continually tend?
10. Whose example did they follow?
11. What god of the Moabites is mentioned in the Bible?
12. What god of the Babylonians?
13. What of the Zidonians?
14. What of the Philistines?
15. What of the Syrians?
16. What idols did the Egyptians worship?
17. What did God say he would do with all their idols?
18. What idol fell before the ark of God?
19. When the day of the Lord comes what will men do with their idols?

20. What denunciation is uttered against Ephraim?
21. How might this be applied to men in these days?

XIX.

1. How did Jesus teach the people?
2. Unto what did he liken the kingdom of heaven?
3. Why is it like a mustard seed?
4. Why is it like a net cast into the sea?
5. Who are now casting that net?
6. At whose command will there be a large draught?
7. Unto whom should those who cast the net look for assistance?
8. What is like a merchantman seeking goodly pearls?
9. Where alone can we find the pearl of great price?
10. How alone can we obtain it?
11. Why is it necessary for us to obtain it?
12. Have *you* found it?
13. Did you ever hear of gates of pearl?
14. Did you ever hear of streets paved with gold?
15. Who will enter those gates?
16. Who will dwell in that city?
17. Will the sun and moon shine there?
18. Will there be any temple there?
19. What tree will be there?
20. What river?
21. How should those live who expect to be kings and priests in a city like this?
22. What should their life and conversation plainly declare?
23. Are *you* one of these strangers and pilgrims?
24. What will become of those who make this world their home, and seek no other?

XX.

1. What king was a sheepmaster?
2. What tribute did he give to the king of Israel?
3. What horrible sacrifice did he offer up?
4. Can you account for this action?
5. What is said of the tender mercies of the wicked?
6. There was a king who in his childhood was preserved and protected by his uncle who was a priest, and during the lifetime of this good man he did what was right in the sight of the Lord. Into what sin did he fall after his death?
7. Why did he kill the son of his preserver?
8. What were the words of the dying prophet?
9. How was the king punished for this murder?
10. What allusion did our Saviour make to it?
11. What question did Jesus ask the Jews about the persecution of the prophet?
12. A king fell from an upper room, and was much hurt by the fall. Unto whom did he apply for information as to his recovery?
13. What stern reproof was sent to him?
14. What fearful punishment overtook the messengers whom he sent to apprehend the prophet of the Lord?
15. How was the third company of messengers saved from destruction?
16. Unto whom did the man of God then repeat the reproof and prediction?

XXI.

1. Of whose unnatural crime would *twenty* remind you?
2. Of which of the judges?
3. Of which royal gift?
4. Of what treason would *thirty* remind you?
5. Of what event in the life of David?
6. Of the commencement of whose public ministry?
7. Who at thirty years of age was made ruler of a kingdom?
8. Of what conspiracy does *forty* remind you?
9. Of what journey?
10. Of what fast?
11. Of what two other seasons of fasting?
12. Of what rainy season?
13. Of the duration of what reigns memorable in Jewish history?
14. Of what incident in the life of Joshua?
15. What two patriarchs married at forty?
16. Of what piece of gold would *fifty* remind you?
17. Of what sudden destruction.
18. Of what act of mercy and kindness.
19. Of what instrument of death.
20. Of what great festival.

XXII.

1. When did the Lord speak unto a fish.
2. Who slew more people at his death than he slew in his life.
3. How did he do this.
7. An angel killed in one night one hundred and eighty-five thousand men. What men were these.

5. What may we learn from this of the strength and power of the angels.
6. What is the employment of angels in heaven.
7. In what do we pray to imitate them.
8. In what respects may we do the will of God like them.
9. What may we learn from the Bible as to the number of the angels.
10. What will be the office of the angels at the judgment-day.
11. To whom are they likened in some of the parables of our Saviour.
12. Whose burdens does St. Paul exhort us to bear.
13. What does he say in the same chapter that every man must do.
14. How do you reconcile these two passages.
15. When did a prophet see an army of defenders which a great host of his enemies could not see.
16. Who said, "What meanest thou, O sleeper. Arise, and call upon God."
17. Unto whom was it said, and why.
18. Unto whom might these words now be addressed.
19. Was there a town called No.
20. Which of the prophets describes its situation.
21. What other prophets allude to it.

XXIII.

1. What man took from another his silver and his leprosy.
2. Who followed Jesus afar off.
3. Who came unto Jesus by night.
4. Why.

5. How did he afterwards manifest his attachment to the Lord Jesus more openly?
6. What other secret disciple was mindful of our Lord when his chosen ones had forsaken him and fled?
7. Unto whom did the Lord say, "I have much people in this city?"
8. In what city.
9. For what purpose was this said.
10. Unto which of the prophets were words of like comfort given.
11. Under what circumstance.
12. Who said, "Lord, to whom shall we go, thou hast the words of eternal life."
13. What called forth this question.
14. Who had nothing, and yet possessed all things.
15. Who were sorrowful, yet always rejoicing.
16. Who was poor, yet made many rich.
17. How could this be.
18. God abaseth the proud. Can you give an example of this.
19. Give another.
20. God exalteth them of low degree. What illustration can you give of this.
21. Whom did he take from a sheepfold to sit upon a throne.
22. Whom did he take from a prison to be a great ruler.
23. What poor fishermen did he especially honor.

XXIV.

1. Of what large contribution-box have we a description in the Bible.
2. Who said, "I am a stranger in the earth." What prayer did he add, and why

3. "Thou fool, this night shall thy soul be required of thee." Unto whom was this said.
4. Why.
5. What army fled when none pursued them.
6. Who entered their tents, and found them filled with treasure.
7. What caused their flight.
8. What prediction was by this means accomplished.
9. Who then died because of unbelief.
10. How had his fate been foretold.
11. In what year did the land of Israel bring forth fruit for three years.
12. Why was this abundant harvest.
13. What punishment came upon the Jews because they did not obey the Lord, and suffer the land to enjoy her sabbaths. How long did the land then rest.
14. When the ark set forward in the journey through the desert, what did Moses say.
15. What did he say when it rested.
16. When was water miraculously brought to supply an army.
17. How did it terrify their enemies.

XXV.

1. Who was the first gardener.
2. Who was the father of those who dwell in tents.
3. What is the beginning of wisdom.
4. How are we to pass the time of our sojourning.
5. How are we to work out our own salvation.
6. With whom is the secret of the Lord.
7. Whose desire will he fulfill.
whom did he take his pleasure.
8. Into whom is his salvation nigh.

10. Why does our Saviour tell his disciples not to fear ?
11. Whom does he tell them not to fear ?
12. What does St. John say about fear ?
13. Can you explain this ?
14. What fear does St. Paul say keeps men all their life-time in bondage ?
15. How can we be delivered from this fear ?
16. If we fear God, need we have any other fear ?
17. What prophet loved the wages of unrighteousness ?
18. Who forsook the path of life because he loved the present world ?
19. Who would not enter it because he had great possessions ?
20. What is better than the riches of the ungodly.
21. Where should we lay up our treasure.
22. Why.
23. Of what is the man that heapeth up riches ignorant.
24. What protected the Israelites from the burning sun in the desert.
25. What gave them light in the night.
26. Protection, illumination. What else was thus given them.

XXVI.

1. When did God open the doors of heaven.
2. When the windows.
3. He opened the windows of heaven in judgment, when will he open them in mercy.
4. For what gods were the apostles once taken, and why.
5. What honors did the people wish to pay them.
6. How did they reject these honors.

7. How was one of the apostles treated by the same people who had just before wished to worship him.
8. What was the triumphal song of the multitude when Jesus entered into Jerusalem riding on an ass.
9. What was their cry a few days afterwards.
10. A judge trembled before a prisoner in chains. Who was this judge.
11. Who the prisoner.
12. What prophet was himself the subject of prophecy.
13. A feast was proclaimed in a capital city, and posts went with letters throughout the length and breadth of the land, to invite the people to come up. How was this invitation received.
14. What parable of our Saviour describes a similar reception of gracious invitations.
15. There were two men who had a glorious vision of God, and who were soon after overtaken with a swift destruction. Who were they.
16. What may we learn from their history.
17. Who was the first vagabond.

XXVII.

1. What is the first account of a company of goldsmiths.
2. What other companies are mentioned in connection.
3. What does Isaiah say of the goldsmith.
4. How did the silversmiths oppose the progress of the gospel.
5. Whence proceeded their opposition.
6. Who instigated it.

7. Some men, clothed with sackcloth, and with ropes around their necks, came before a king. Whose messengers were they.
8. To what king did they come.
9. Did he grant their request.
10. What induced him to do it.
11. Why was he wrong in so doing.
12. How was he punished.
13. A man was driving his oxen in the field, and another man came forward and threw his mantle over him. Who were these men.
14. What was the meaning of this action.
15. Some fishermen were busily employed mending their nets on the shore of a lake, when a stranger approached and called them. How did this affect the history of the world.
16. Can you tell me the names of any children that were dedicated to God from their birth.

XXVIII

1. "Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Who were thus described.
2. Are there any such in these days.
3. Do you know the names of any missionaries who have lost their lives in their Master's service.
4. What is said about him that loseth his life for Christ's sake.
5. Will it be said of you, "She hath done what she could."
6. Of whom was this said.
7. What can you do for the cause of missions.

8. Why are you bound to take an interest in this great work.
9. What are you doing for this cause.
10. What vision had Paul in Troas.
11. Was he obedient to the heavenly vision.
12. Whence does this cry come to Christians and Christian ministers in these days.
13. Have any answered the call.
14. In what parts of the heathen world are missionaries now preaching the gospel.
15. Can you tell me the names of some of the most eminent missionaries.
16. Who were the first female missionaries from America to the heathen.
17. What devoted missionary went to Greenland.
18. Who died in an apple-orchard of Teecat in Persia.
19. What missionaries have lost their lives in Africa.

XXIX.

1. Were any ever saved from death by a stain on the door-post.
2. What did Job say of Adam.
3. What was the prayer of Jabez.
4. Did Moses bring the dead as well as the living from the land of Egypt.
5. Why did he do this.
6. Where did the children of Israel bury the dead they brought out of Egypt.
7. In how many places in the Bible is Melchizedek mentioned.
8. Who was called to leave his own land for a strange country.
9. Had he any knowledge of the land in which he was commanded to sojourn.

10. Why then did he leave his own country.
11. What country are we commanded to seek.
12. What description is given of it.
13. What will be the consequence of neglecting this command.
14. How did the high priest present the names of the children of Israel before God.
15. Were they inscribed on more than one part of his holy garments.
16. By whom are the names of Christians now brought into the presence of God.
17. The high priest approached the altar in the name of Israel, surrounded by a cloud of fragrant incense. Of what was this incense a type.
18. When is bread first mentioned in the Bible.
19. When is water
20. Who was Bezaleel.

XXX.

1. What was the first messenger-bird.
2. What was the first model for naval architecture.
3. What great revivals of religion took place under the kings of Judah.
4. Why were they needed.
5. What feasts were kept.
6. What offerings were made.
7. What prayer for those who desired to seek God, but had not made the requisite preparation.
8. What is said of the joy there was then in Jerusalem.
9. What will be the portion of those who love the law of God.
10. How did the people at that time show their zeal for the Lord of hosts.

11. How the riches of their liberality.
12. There were twelve rods laid together, and one of them budded, blossomed, and bore fruit. Whose rod was this.
13. Of what was this a token.
14. Did any Greeks desire to see Jesus.
15. Unto whom did they express this wish.
16. What Greek woman came to the Saviour.
17. How did she show her faith.
18. What is the first mention of looking-glasses or mirrors in the Bible.
19. Unto whom did they belong.
20. Unto what use were they put.

XXXI.

1. When did an ass see what a prophet could not.
2. What prophet denounces the man who makes his neighbor a drunkard.
3. What class of people commit that sin in these days.
4. What did St. Paul say about eating meat if it caused his brother to offend.
5. May not the same principle be applied to wine.
6. What are some of the evils of intemperance.
7. From what place is the drunkard excluded.
8. Does he injure any one but himself.
9. Can we commit sin, and only injure ourselves.
10. What does the apostle say about a man living and dying to himself.
11. Are there instances of drunkenness in the Bible.
12. One unhallowed feast preceded the downfall of a kingdom. What kingdom.
13. Another caused the death of a good man. Who was he.

14. What does Isaiah say of these merry feasts?
15. What is said of the plowing of the wicked?
16. What does this mean?
17. Diseases were cured by handkerchiefs and aprons. When were these wonders wrought?
18. "God is not a man that he should lie nor the son of man that he should repent? Who said this?
19. On what occasion?
20. Can you tell me anything else that he said?
21. Who was called an Israelite in indeed in whom there is no guile?
22. What is he that will love life and see good days exhorted to do?
23. What is said of those who stood with the Lamb on Mount Zion?
24. At whose faith did our Saviour marvel?

XXXII.

1. What king went to meet an invading force, with a band of singers in advance of the army singing hymns of praise to God?
2. Whose help had he sought?
3. What assurances had he received?
4. How did he show his gratitude?
5. How did he find his enemies prepared to meet him?
Instead of returning to their homes with the spoil, where did this army go?
For what purpose?
8. There was a good king who allied himself with a wicked king, and went out with him to battle. What counsel was given them by a multitude of prophets?
9. Did any one speak the truth to them?

10. Why was this prophet hated by the wicked king?
11. What indignity did he receive?
12. How did he reprove the false prophets?
13. How was he proved to be the prophet of the Lord?
14. How was the good king afterwards rebuked for this unholy alliance?
15. How did he suffer in his own family?
16. Why should we not associate familiarly with the wicked?
17. How did Lot suffer for dwelling with the ungodly?
18. Whom should we choose for our companions?

XXXIII.

1. Which was the longest of our Saviour's parables?
2. On what occasion did he speak it?
3. What truth does it illustrate?
4. By what two shorter parables does he also illustrate this truth?
5. By what parable did he teach love to our neighbor?
6. Unto whom did he give this lesson?
7. By what parable did he show the vanity of earthly treasures?
8. What request suggested this parable?
9. By what parable did he reprove Simon the Pharisee?
10. By what parables did he inculcate importunity in prayer?
11. By what parable did he show the necessity of watchfulness?
12. In what parable are the rich in this world's goods and the rich in faith contrasted?

12. In what are the self-righteous and the humble man contrasted?
14. What verse of St. Peter announces the truth contained in this parable?
15. What does Christ compare to leaven?
16. Why is it like leaven?
17. What parable did he utter when entertained in the house of a rich man, the chief of the publicans?
18. Where did he go after he had spoken this parable?
19. By what parable did he reprove the scribes and elders in the temple?
20. Did they make the application to themselves?
21. By whose example did he commend the duty of giving of our substance unto the Lord?
22. In what parable did he describe the different classes of hearers of the gospel?
23. Are any in these days here described?
24. Does the sower still go forth to sow?
25. How does the seed fall in your heart?

XXXIV.

1. What garments did the high priest wear on the day of atonement?
2. How did they differ from his ordinary priestly garments?
3. We read of three persons gathering sticks: one was punished, one was rewarded, one was preserved. Who were they?
4. In what periods of the world's history did they live?
5. A captive, who had been kindly treated by a fellow-prisoner, forgot him in the hour of his own prosperity. Who was this captive?

6. What confession did he make?
7. What are we apt to forget?
8. What, like him, should we remember?
9. When?
10. Has the body of man ever been compared to a tent?
11. Has it been to a sepulchre?
12. Has it been likened to a temple?
13. With what was the temple sprinkled?
14. What was constantly burning in the temple?
15. What should ever ascend from our earthly temples?
16. Who compared man's body to a house?
17. How was respect for old age enforced by the Jewish law?
18. What signal punishment overtook some young persons who violated this command?
19. What is the first mention of a lamp in the Bible?
20. Were lamps ever used in battle?

XXXV.

1. What promise is often written on the cloud?
2. Can you find in God's word a promise to the wicked?
3. Is it conditional or unconditional?
4. What promise is there for the backslider?
5. Why should you place unlimited confidence in the promises of God?
6. What promise is addressed to the mourner?
7. What to the meek?
8. What to the peace-maker?
9. What to the weary and heavy laden?
10. What to those who keep the Sabbath day holy?
11. What to the humble penitent?

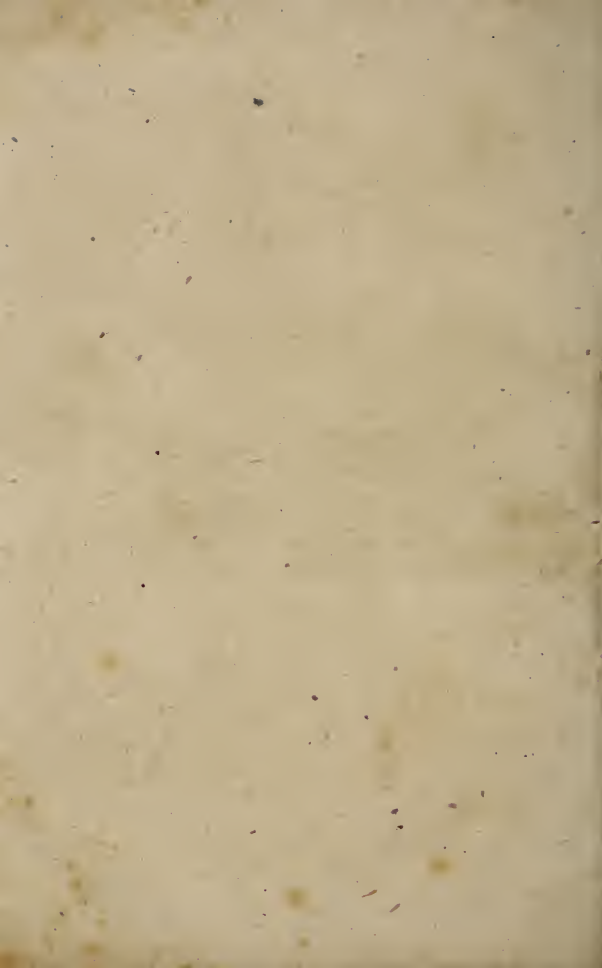
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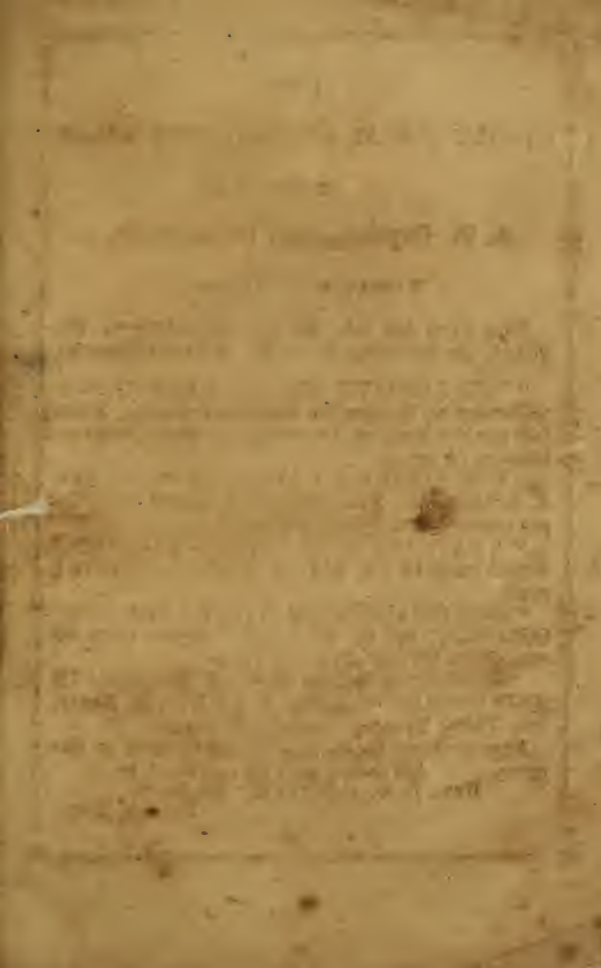
12. What to the young ?
13. What to the widow ?
14. What to the orphan ?
15. What to the aged ?
16. What to the man who trusts in God ?
17. What to him who forsakes all for Christ's sake ?
18. What to the minister of the gospel ?
19. What to those who sow in tears ?
20. What to those who are faithful unto death ?
21. Is there any implied promise for our daily sustenance ?
22. What promise is there for the relief of hunger and thirst ?
23. What for the hour of temptation ?
24. What for the day of trouble ?
25. What for the hour of death ?
26. What for the day of judgment ?
27. In whose name alone can we claim all these promises ?

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